To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 132 without my signature.

This bill is unnecessary since the California Constitution already prohibits the state from discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting. The Constitution also states that all students and staff have the inalienable right to attend campuses which are safe, secure, and peaceful. Therefore, a codified policy statement is unnecessary.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger